

Mrs L. Maria Child

Wayland, Ms

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Wayland, Aug. 26th, 1864.

Friend Wallcut,

141 I want you to send me an order for \$150, on Mr. Phillips's account. I will endorse it and get it cashed at the bank, by a neighbor who goes to Boston every day in the summer. I send to you, because I do not know where Mr. Phillips is. I enclose two stamps; one to pay for the paper and envelope. If there is any government stamp to pay I will remit it to you.

I want you also to put \$20 in the enclosed envelope to Mr. Garrison, and give it to him. It is to be charged against me in Mr. Phillips's account, in addition to the above-named \$150; so that the receipt will be for \$170, which I will forthwith transmit to you by mail.

I have also another favor to ask of you. I want to know what sort of person Edmonia Lewis, the sculptor is. Is she a worthy, discreet sort of person? Is she economical? In a word is she one whom it is worth while to try to assist? Your answer, if you wish it, shall be strictly between ourselves.

When are the colored women in Boston going to have their Fair for the widows and orphans of the Colored Regiments?

Please tell Mr. Nell that I received his package and his letter; that I am very much obliged to him, and will return what he has loaned me, the next time I come to the city. I am obliged to give up my Freed man's Book, on account of the price of paper.

We are passing through a very dark hour. God grant that light may dawn ere long. I am afraid we may wreck our vessel on the rock of disunion among ourselves.

Yours very cordially L. M. Child.